

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

NICHOLAS CONNOR BRANOM,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civ. No. 15-615 GBW

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION,
Carolyn W. Colvin, Acting Commissioner of SSA,

Defendant.

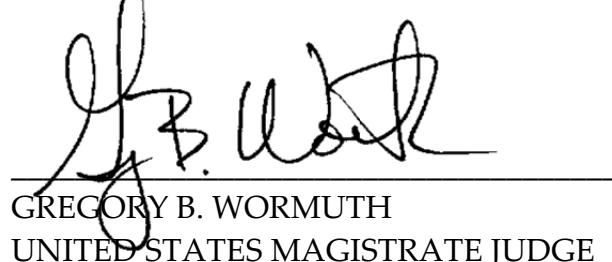
ORDER GRANTING MOTION TO PROCEED IN FORMA PAUPERIS

Plaintiff, who seeks judicial review of the denial of his application for social security benefits, filed a Motion for Leave to Proceed in forma pauperis (IFP). *Doc. 4.*

“In order to succeed on a motion to proceed IFP, the movant must show a financial inability to pay the required filing fees, as well as the existence of a reasoned, nonfrivolous argument on the law and facts in support of the issues raised in the action.” *Lister v. Dep’t of Treasury*, 408 F.3d 1309, 1312 (10th Cir. 2005) (citation omitted). 28 U.S.C. § 1915(a)(1) applies to all plaintiffs seeking IFP status. *Id.*; see also *Griffin v. Zavaras*, 336 F. App’x 846, 849 n.2 (10th Cir. 2009).

Plaintiff’s Complaint asserts a nonfrivolous argument on the law, and the motion evidences his inability to pay the filing fee. As such, I find the motion well-taken and hereby GRANT it.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



GREGORY B. WORMUTH
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE